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# THE HIGH AUTHORITY

## INFORMATION

**Letter addressed by the High Authority, on October 4, 1954, to the Government of the French Republic, concerning the continuance of subsidies on Saar-Lorraine coal sold to Southern Germany.**

MONSIEUR LE PRÉSIDENT DU CONSEIL,

By your letter No. CA/1168 of September 15, 1954, you requested a further extension of the authorization granted to the French Government on March 8, 1953, and extended until September 30, 1954, by our letter of March 20, 1954, in respect of the continuance of the subsidies paid on Saar/Lorraine coal sold to Southern Germany.

I have the honour to inform you that the High Authority, having duly reviewed the circumstances in which these subsidies are granted and the conditions with which they must comply, has decided to authorize the French Government to continue the granting of such subsidies on the same conditions as before. The High Authority reserves the right to re-examine the question of the continuance of these subsidies at any time before March 31, 1955.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew, Monsieur le Président du Conseil, the expression of my highest consideration.

# THE COMMON ASSEMBLY

## ORDINANCES

### ORDINANCE No. 4

issued by the Bureau of the Common Assembly concerning the appointment of an Assistant Secretary-General.

**THE BUREAU OF THE COMMON ASSEMBLY,**

HAVING REGARD to Article 43 of the Rules of Procedure;

WHEREAS it was decided in the course of the meetings held by said Bureau on October 26, 1952, and October 3, 1954, to create the office of an Assistant Secretary-General, who shall assist the Secretary-General and deputize for him in his absence, and who shall furthermore be responsible, more particularly, for all administrative questions; and

WHEREAS it was decided in the course of the meetings held by said Bureau on October 26, 1952, and October 3, 1954. to appoint

MR. WALTER HUMMELSHEIM  
to the office of Assistant Secretary-General;

**HEREBY ORDERS**

THAT MR. WALTER HUMMELSHEIM be appointed Assistant Secretary-General of the Common Assembly with effect from October 26, 1952.

Luxembourg, October 3, 1954.

*The President of the Common Assembly (ad interim):*

J. FOHRMANN

*The Vice-Presidents:*

R. MOTZ

H. PÜNDER

R. CARCASSONNE

G. VIXSEBOXSE

**INFORMATION**

**EXTRAORDINARY SESSION FOR THE FINANCIAL  
YEAR 1954-1955**

**AGENDA FOR THE PUBLIC SESSION**

**Monday, November 29, 1954, at 11 a.m.**

**at Europe House, STRASBOURG**

Tribute by the Common Assembly to the late President Alcide de GASPERI;

Checking of credentials;

Election of the President;

Approval of the changes in the membership of the Committees;

Establishment of the Agenda.

- (1) Immediately upon his election, the President will convene the Committee of Presidents, for the purpose of examining the order of proceedings and drafting the agenda for the sessions (Article 12 of the Rules of Procedure).

It is proposed to include on the agenda:

- a report by Monsieur H. A. KORTHALS on behalf of the Common Market Committee, on the policy of the High Authority concerning agreements and concentrations, and on the aspects of its coal production policy relating thereto;

—a report by Monsieur G. KREYSSIG on behalf of the Budgetary and Administrative Committee of the Community, on the Auditor's report dealing with the first financial year, ending June 30, 1953;

—a report by Monsieur G. KREYSSIG on behalf of the same Committee, on the administrative expenditure of the Common Assembly for the financial year 1953–1954.

(2) It is further pointed out that

(i) on behalf of the Social Affairs Committee, a memorandum has been drawn up by Monsieur A. BERTRAND on

—the problem of worker's freedom of movement and on the text of the draft agreement for the application of Article 69 of the Treaty.

(ii) The Committee on Political Affairs and the External Relations of the Community has appointed as Rapporteurs:

Mademoiselle M. A. M. KLOMPE for questions concerning

—the external relations of the Community in the light of current political developments:

and Monsieur P. H. TEITGEN for questions concerning

—the Assembly's powers of control and the exercise thereof.

(iii) the Budgetary and Administrative Committee of the Community and the Common Assembly has appointed as Rapporteur:

Monsieur J. KURTZ for questions concerning

—the estimates of the administrative expenditure of the Common Assembly for the financial year 1955–1956.

(iv) the Committee on the Rules of Procedure of the Common Assembly, Petitions and Immunities has appointed as Rapporteur:

Herr H. H. von MERKATZ for questions concerning

—a proposed amendment to Article 28 of the Rules of Procedure;

—the desirability of investing one of the Committees of the Common Assembly with advisory competence on legal questions.

(3) The High Authority proposes to provide the members of the Common Assembly in due time with a document outlining the general activities of the High Authority since the May session.

Luxembourg, November 5. 1954.

# THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

## DECISIONS AND OPINIONS

**DECISION concerning the designation of representative organizations of producers and workers, and the allocation of seats in the Consultative Committee**

### THE COUNCIL,

HAVING regard to Article 18 of the Treaty.

INASMUCH as the term of office of the present members of the Consultative Committee expires on January 14, 1955,

### DESIGNATES

the following representative organizations of producers and workers, and allocates the seats among those organizations as shown below:

#### ORGANIZATIONS OF PRODUCERS

<i>Country</i>	<i>Name of Organization</i>	<i>Number of Seats</i>
Belgium	{ coal Fédération des Associations Charbonnières de Belgique, Brussels . . . . .	2
	{ steel Comité de la Sidérurgie, Brussels . . . . .	1
France	{ coal Les Charbonnages de France, Paris . . . . .	1
	{ coal Saarbergwerke, Saarbrücken . . . . .	1
	{ steel La Chambre Syndicale de la Sidérurgie Française Paris . . . . .	1
	{ steel La Chambre Syndicale des Mines de Fer de France, Paris . . . . .	1
	{ steel La Chambre Syndicale de la Sidérurgie de la Sarre, Saarbrücken . . . . .	1
Germany	{ coal Unternehmensverband Ruhrbergbau, Essen . . . . .	2
	{ coal Unternehmensverband des Aachener Steinkohlenbergbaus, Aachen . . . . .	1
	{ steel Wirtschaftsvereinigung Eisen- und Stahl-industrie, Düsseldorf . . . . .	2
Italy	{ coal Associazione Mineraria Italiana, Rome . . . . .	1
	{ steel Associazione Industrie Siderurgiche Italiane (Assider), Rome . . . . .	1
Luxembourg	{ steel Groupement des Industries Sidérurgiques Luxembourgeoises, Luxembourg . . . . .	1
Netherlands	{ coal Gezamenlijke Steenkolenmijnen in Limburg, Heerlen . . . . .	1
Number of seats . . . . .		17



## ORGANIZATIONS OF WORKERS

<i>Country</i>	<i>Name of Organization</i>	<i>Number of Seats</i>
Belgium	{ Confédération des Syndicats Chrétiens de Belgique, Brussels . . . . .	1
	{ Fédération Générale du Travail de Belgique, Brussels . . . . .	1
France	{ Fédération Nationale Force Ouvrière des Mineurs (C.G.T.F.O.), Paris . . . . .	1
	{ Fédération Nationale des Syndicats Chrétiens de Mineurs (C.F.T.C.), Paris . . . . .	1
	{ Fédération Confédérée C.G.T.F.O. de la Métallurgie, Paris . . . . .	1
	{ Confédération Générale des Cadres, Paris . . . . .	1
	{ Syndicat Chrétien de la Sarre, Saarbrücken . . . . .	1
Germany	{ Industriegewerkschaft Bergbau, Bochum . . . . .	2
	{ Industriegewerkschaft Metall, Frankfurt/Main . . . . .	2
	{ Deutscher Gewerkschaftsbund, Düsseldorf . . . . .	1
Italy	{ Confederazione Italiana Sindacati Lavoratori (Federa- zione Italiana Metalmeccanici) . . . . .	1
	{ Unione Italiana del Lavoro (Federazione Italiana Metalmeccanici) . . . . .	1
Luxembourg	{ Fédération Nationale des Ouvriers de Luxembourg, Esch/Alzette . . . . .	1
Netherlands	{ Christelijke Nationaal Vakverbond (C.N.V.) . . . . .	} 2
	{ Katholieke Arbeidersbeweging (K.A.B.) . . . . .	
	{ Nederlands Verbond van Vakverenigingen (N.V.V.) . . . . .	
Number of seats . . . . .		17

This decision was adopted on October 27, 1954.

*For the Council,*  
(signed) HENRI ULVER,  
*President.*

### DECISION concerning the replacement of a retiring member of the Consultative Committee

**THE COUNCIL,**

HAVING regard to Article 18, paragraphs 2 and 3, of the Treaty,

**DECIDES :**

That Herr Fritz Dahlmann, a member of the Executive of the *Industriegewerkschaft Bergbau, Bochum*, shall be appointed a member of the Consultative Committee in succession to Herr Hans Platte, retiring member (category of "workers").

This decision was adopted on October 27, 1954, with effect from that date.

*For the Council,*  
(signed) HENRI ULVER,  
*President.*

**DECISION amending the decision fixing the emoluments, allowances and pensions of the President and of the Members of the High Authority**

**THE COUNCIL,**

HAVING regard to Article 29 of the Treaty,

HAVING regard to the decision fixing the emoluments, allowances and pensions of the President and of the Members of the High Authority, adopted by the Council at its eleventh session, on December 21, 1953,

**DECIDES:**

*Article 1*

Article 3 of the decision fixing the emoluments, allowances and pensions of the President and of the Members of the High Authority is hereby rescinded.

*Article 2*

Article 7 of the decision fixing the emoluments, allowances and pensions of the President and of the Members of the High Authority shall be superseded by the following Articles:

*Article 7:*

Any Member who is rendered incapable of fulfilling his duties, either by disability or by sickness, and who for that reason resigns or is discharged from, his office, as also any Member affected by such incapacity upon the normal expiry of his term of office, shall be entitled to the following benefits:—

If, at the end of the period during which he has been drawing the temporary allowance provided for under Article 4, his incapacity is found to be of a permanent nature, he shall thereafter be entitled to a life pension, the annual amount of which shall be calculated in accordance with the scale laid down in Article 6, with a minimum of 25 per cent. of his last annual emoluments. He shall be entitled to the maximum rate of pension if his incapacity is the consequence of a disability or disease contracted in the course of his duties.

If, at the end of the period during which he has been drawing the temporary allowance provided for under Article 4, he is still incapacitated but this incapacity is not found to be of a permanent nature, he shall then be entitled, until such time as he shall have recovered, to a payment, the annual amount of which shall be equal to a percentage of his last annual emoluments, such percentage to be fixed at 50 per cent. where the disability or disease has been contracted in the course of his duties, and at 25 per cent. in other cases. This annual payment shall be superseded by a life pension, calculated on the same basis as that provided for in the last paragraph, when the incapacity is found to persist and the Member has reached, or passed, the age of 65, or when seven years have elapsed since such payments started.

The granting of a life pension under this Article shall preclude the granting of the life pension provided for under Article 5.

*Article 7a:*

Any Member receiving a physical injury as the result of an accident sustained, or a disease contracted, in the course of his duties shall, in so far as he is not

drawing one or other of the life pensions provided for under Article 7, receive an annual payment with effect from the date of expiry of the period during which he has been drawing the temporary allowance provided for under Article 4, which payment shall terminate upon the completion of his 65th year. The annual amount of this payment shall be equal to a percentage of his last annual emoluments, but shall not exceed 50 per cent. thereof. The percentage shall be determined upon the basis of a medical report, and shall equal one-half of the reduction in earning capacity in an occupation commensurate with the qualifications of the Member concerned.

The annual payments provided for under Articles 7 and 7a may not be drawn simultaneously. Where the Member may have a claim to both annual payments, only the larger of the two amounts shall be payable.

*Article 7b:*

Any Member sustaining an accident or contracting a disease in the course of his duties shall be entitled to the reimbursement of all expenses incurred in connection with medical, surgical, orthopaedic, hospital and/or nursing-home treatment, medicaments, prostheses, radiography, massage, transport in case of injury, and similar unavoidable expenses arising from such accident or disease.

*Article 7c:*

To the extent to which it is liable, the Community shall be subrogated to all the rights of the Member or Members concerned in any legal proceedings against third parties, where such parties are responsible for any accident involving the application of Articles 7, 7a or 7b.

*Article 3*

The words "visée à l'article 5" shall be inserted after the words "pension à vie" in Article 8 of the decision fixing the emoluments, allowances and pensions of the President and of the Members of the High Authority.

*Article 4*

The words "en vertu de la présente décision" shall be inserted after the words "ancien membre bénéficiant" in Article 10, paragraph 5, of the decision fixing the emoluments, allowances and pensions of the President and of the Members of the High Authority.

*Article 5*

The words "les rentes" shall be inserted after the words "les indemnités transitoires" in Article 12 of the decision fixing the emoluments, allowances and pensions of the President and of the Members of the High Authority.

*Article 6*

This decision shall come into force with effect from July 1, 1954.

This decision was adopted by the Council at its nineteenth session, on October 27, 1954.

*For the Council,*

(Sgd.) HENRI ULVER,

*President.*

# THE COURT OF JUSTICE

## OFFICIAL NOTICES

### **Complaint by the Groupement des Industries Sidérurgiques Luxembourgeoises, Société Coopérative, of Luxembourg, against the High Authority; dated October 11, 1954.**

On October 11, 1954, a complaint was lodged before the Court of Justice by the Groupement des Industries Sidérurgiques Luxembourgeoises, Société Coopérative, of Luxembourg, represented by Maître Alex Bonn, barrister-at-law, of Luxembourg, with elected domicile at the registered office of the Groupement des Industries Sidérurgiques Luxembourgeoises, 31 boulevard Joseph II, at Luxembourg.

The Groupement des Industries Sidérurgiques Luxembourgeoises, having, on July 14, 1954, addressed a letter to the President of the High Authority setting out the desiderata enumerated in the following submissions, to which the High Authority has so far failed to accede, requests in accordance with Article 35 of the Treaty that it may please the Court

- “ to find the complaint presented in due and proper form;
- to find it proven on its merits;

to annul the tacit negative decision taken by the High Authority after the Groupement des Industries Sidérurgiques Luxembourgeoises had delivered its letter of July 14, 1954;

and, therefore, find that the High Authority shall be required to order, by way of a decision or a recommendation:

- (1) the cessation of the activities of the Office Commercial du Ravitaillement as sole importer of coal in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg;
- (2) the prohibition and abolition of the compensation fund attached to the Office Commercial du Ravitaillement under the ‘ arrêté ministériel ’ of March 8, 1954;

and to award the costs and expenses of this action against the High Authority.”

### **Complaint by the Association des Utilisateurs de Charbon du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg, a non-profit-making association, of Luxembourg, against the High Authority; dated October 16, 1954.**

On October 16, 1954, a complaint was lodged before the Court of Justice by the Association des Utilisateurs de Charbon du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg, a non-profit-making association, of Luxembourg, represented by Maître Alex Bonn, barrister-at-law, of Luxembourg, with elected domicile at Côte d’Eich 22, at Luxembourg.

The Association des Utilisateurs de Charbon du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg, having, on July 20, 1954, addressed a letter to the President of the

High Authority setting out the desiderata enumerated in the following submissions, to which the High Authority has so far failed to accede, requests in accordance with Article 35 of the Treaty that it may please the Court

- “ to find the complaint presented in due and proper form;
- to find it proven on its merits;

to annul the tacit negative decision taken by the High Authority after the Association des Utilisateurs de Charbon du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg had delivered its letter of July 20, 1954;

and, therefore, find that the High Authority shall be required to order, by way of a decision or a recommendation :

- (1) the cessation of the activities of the Office Commercial du Ravitaillement as sole importer of coal in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg;
- (2) the prohibition and abolition of the compensation fund attached to the Office Commercial du Ravitaillement under the ‘ arrêté ministériel ’ of March 8, 1954;

and to award the costs and expenses of this action against the High Authority.”

# THE HIGH AUTHORITY

## RULES OF PROCEDURE, NOVEMBER 5, 1954

### THE HIGH AUTHORITY,

HAVING regard to Article 13 of the Treaty.

**ADOPTS** the following Rules of Procedure:

#### *Article 1*

The High Authority shall meet to deliberate, and shall act in conformity with these Rules.

#### *Article 2*

The Members of the High Authority shall be convened by the President, or in his absence by such Member of the High Authority as shall be called upon to take the chair in accordance with Article 4 below.

Notwithstanding, the President or his deputy shall be required to convene the High Authority upon request by three of its Members.

#### *Article 3*

The President of the High Authority or his deputy shall prepare and draw up the draft agenda for each meeting. Any question submitted by a Member for inclusion on the agenda shall be included on the draft agenda. Any meeting of the High Authority shall take place not less than two days after the draft agenda and relevant documents shall have been conveyed to the Members, except in cases of genuine emergency noted by the High Authority at the beginning of the meeting.

Any Member may at the beginning of a Meeting ask the High Authority that discussion of a particular point on the agenda be deferred until a subsequent meeting. If any Member is prevented from attending a meeting, he may submit proposals for the amendment of the agenda to the High Authority through the Chairman.

The High Authority, having been duly notified of the draft agenda and of any amendments proposed by Members, shall at its meeting appoint the agenda.

#### *Article 4*

The chair at all meetings shall be taken by the President, or in his absence by the Vice-President; in the absence of both, by the Second Vice-President; in the absence of any President, by the oldest Member present.

*Article 5*

The meetings shall not be public, with the exceptions stated in Article 6 below.

Discussions shall be confidential.

*Article 6*

The High Authority may invite its heads of departments or their deputies to be present throughout the whole or part of the proceedings, and to address the meeting.

As an exception, in connection with a particular question, the High Authority may also decide to hear at its meetings any other person whatsoever.

The Secretary of the High Authority or his deputy shall attend the meetings in order to take the Minutes, unless the High Authority decide otherwise, in which case it shall appoint one of its Members to act as Secretary.

*Article 7*

Five Members shall constitute a quorum.

*Article 8*

In accordance with Article 13 of the Treaty, the High Authority shall act by vote of a majority of five Members.

Only those Members present at a meeting shall be entitled to vote. Notwithstanding, where it is not possible to defer decision until the return of an absent Member, such a Member may cast his vote in writing, after noting the substance of the discussion and before the High Authority proceeds to the vote at its meeting.

*Article 9*

The text of any document approved by the High Authority shall be authenticated by the signature of Chairman.

*Article 10*

Minutes of the deliberations shall be taken, and any texts adopted at the meeting appended thereto.

The Minutes shall be approved by the High Authority and authenticated by the signature of the Chairman.

*Article 11*

Article 7 above notwithstanding, the quorum for the deliberation of amendments to these Rules, or to the General Organizational Regulations, shall be fixed at seven Members.

These Rules were deliberated and adopted by the High Authority at its meeting on November 5, 1954.

*For the High Authority,  
The President,  
JEAN MONNET*

# GENERAL ORGANIZATIONAL REGULATIONS

## NOVEMBER 5, 1954

### THE HIGH AUTHORITY,

HAVING regard to Article 16 of the Treaty,

ADOPTS the following General Organizational Regulations:

#### *Article 1*

The High Authority shall, in conformity with the provisions of the Treaty and with its own Rules of Procedure and these Regulations, decide all appropriate measures designed to achieve the objectives of the Treaty and to ensure the proper functioning of its services.

#### *Article 2*

The President of the High Authority shall be accountable for the administration of its services, and shall ensure the execution of the acts of the High Authority in accordance with these Regulations.

### Chapter I : Administration of the Services

#### *Article 3*

The High Authority shall establish the structure and functions of each department. Within this compass, and in conformity with the directives issued by the High Authority, the President shall arrange the organization and distribution of duties.

#### *Article 4*

The President shall draw up an estimate of the administrative expenditure. This estimate shall be approved by the High Authority, prior to submission to the Committee of Presidents set up under Article 78 of the Treaty. The President shall be accountable for the implementation of the budget estimates adopted by the Committee of Presidents.

The President shall further draw up a list of the total establishment of personnel employed by the High Authority, and its breakdown by departments. This draft shall be approved by the High Authority, prior to submission to the Committee of Presidents.

A detailed tabulation of the personnel establishment shall be sent at regular intervals to the Members of the High Authority.

#### *Article 5*

The President, assisted by an Administrative Committee of four Members nominated by the High Authority, shall be accountable for the personnel administration of the High Authority. The President shall report at regular intervals to the High Authority upon his administrative actions.

#### *Article 6*

The personnel shall be appointed and dismissed by the President after hearing the Administrative Committee.

Directors, legal counsellors, assistant directors and officials of equivalent rank shall, however, be appointed and dismissed by the High Authority on



the Proposal of the President or the Administrative Committee. Officials of the secretariats of Members of the High Authority shall be appointed by the High Authority on the proposal of the Member concerned, and dismissed by the High Authority on the proposal of the Member or of the President, after hearing the Administrative Committee.

The personnel shall be responsible to the President.

#### *Article 7*

The President shall draft, where necessary in consultation with the Committee of Presidents, general administrative regulations concerning the functions of the various departments of the High Authority, in particular the regulations concerning the financial and accountancy administration and those for the personnel. These regulations shall be submitted for the opinion of the Administrative Committee, and thereupon for the decision of the High Authority.

### **Chapter II: Preparation and Implementation of the Acts of the High Authority**

#### *Article 8*

The High Authority shall issue the directives governing the work of the administration, and shall take the necessary decisions.

#### *Article 9*

The High Authority shall set up working parties of not more than four of its Members, establishing their composition and terms of reference, and designating their members and chairmen. In the absence of the regular chairman of a particular working party, the chair shall be taken by the oldest member, unless the High Authority decide otherwise.

It shall be the duty of these working parties to prepare the acts of the High Authority, subject to the provisions hereafter listed.

Each party shall, within the scope of the tasks assigned to it, see that the preparatory work is duly carried out by the administration, in accordance with the directives of the High Authority.

Each party shall examine and co-ordinate with the responsible departments the proposals worked out by those departments, prior to their examination by the High Authority. It shall thereupon lay these proposals before the High Authority, with notes as to the views both of its own members and of the departments concerned.

The agenda and reports of each party's proceedings shall be sent to the Members of the High Authority.

On the proposal of a working party, the High Authority may instruct one member of that party to study a particular sector or problem.

#### *Article 10*

The President shall, without prejudice to the provisions of Article 9 above, co-ordinate the preparation of the acts of the High Authority. He shall be accountable to the High Authority for measures taken to implement such acts and shall be required to report on these measures to the High Authority at regular intervals.

### *Article 11*

It shall be the duty of the President to maintain relations with the Common Assembly, the Council of Ministers and the Consultative Committee, in conformity with the decisions or directives issued by the High Authority.

### *Article 12*

The directors shall be responsible for the functioning of their departments, and for the execution, in accordance with the directives of the High Authority, of the work falling within the range of their duties.

They shall ensure the maintenance of relations between their respective departments and the President and the Members of the High Authority as well as the working parties.

## **Chapter III: Deputization for the President, and Delegation of Powers**

### *Article 13*

In the absence of the President, his duties shall be carried out by the Vice-President. In the absence of both, these duties shall be carried out by the second Vice-President, and in the absence of any President, by the oldest Member present.

In such cases, where another Member is required to deputize for the President, as provided for in the preceding paragraph, any delegations of powers by the President under Article 14 below shall remain in force, unless the deputy President decides otherwise.

### *Article 14*

The President may temporarily and revocably, and on his own responsibility, delegate the implementation of acts of the High Authority to the chairmen of the working parties, within the scope of their respective terms of reference.

The President may, in addition, delegate to the Members of the High Authority some portion of his administrative duties.

### *Article 15*

Heads of departments may be empowered, temporarily and revocably, by delegation of the President after consultation with the chairman of the working party concerned, to take the appropriate measures, within the scope of their departmental responsibilities, to ensure the implementation of the High Authority's acts.

Such delegation may, where necessary, determine the conditions under which the duties thus delegated may be sub-delegated. The President shall inform the High Authority of all delegations of powers which he may make.

These Regulations were deliberated and adopted by the High Authority at its meeting on November 15, 1954.

*For the High Authority,*

*The President*  
JEAN MONNET

# THE COMMON ASSEMBLY

*Annex to the Official Gazette*

## QUESTIONS AND REPLIES

**Question No. 20 by Monsieur G. M. Nederhorst, Member of the Common Assembly**

*(October 13, 1954)*

(1) Is the High Authority aware that at the International Exhibition at Charleroi, Belgium, a steel house is on show under the name of "La Maison C.E.C.A.", and that a booklet bearing this title is in circulation, which describes this house and gives further details concerning it?

(2) Is the High Authority in a position to state by what right the exhibitors gave the name "C.E.C.A." to this model house? Has the High Authority had any share in this display which would justify the name "Maison C.E.C.A." being given to this house?

(3) Is the High Authority aware that the publicity given to the "Maison C.E.C.A." is causing confusion, since many people do, in fact, believe that it is the prototype for the 1,000 housing units which, with the financial assistance of the High Authority, are now in process of construction as part of the experimental building programme?

(4) In view of the confusion caused by this publicity, does the High Authority not consider it advisable to issue a statement explaining what share, if any, it had in the designing of the house exhibited as the "Maison C.E.C.A."?

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### **Reply by the High Authority**

*(November 11, 1954)*

(1) The High Authority is aware that at the International Exhibition at Charleroi a house designed by the architects L. Palm and W. van der Meeren was on show and was advertised as "La Maison dite C.E.C.A." This house was built with a large number of steel components. It had already been exhibited at the "Mines and Metals" Exhibition at Liège, where, at the request of the organizers, it was shown under the name of "La Maison C.E.C.A.?" instead of "La Maison C.E.C.A.", as suggested by the architects.

An article published in the September 1954 issue of the periodical *L'Ossature Métallique* provides a more detailed description. Reprints of this article were distributed for publicity purposes.

(2) Those responsible for the house intended to offer it to the European Coal and Steel Community as a prototype for the building programme which the High Authority is proposing to put into effect. The High Authority has had no share whatsoever in the production of this house.

(3) The High Authority has in the meantime become aware that the publicity given to this house has led to confusion. Many people do, in fact, believe that this is the prototype for the 1,000 housing units which are to be built with the financial assistance of the High Authority, as part of its experimental housing scheme.

(4) The High Authority hereby states officially that it is in no way responsible for the house exhibited as "La Maison dite C.E.C.A.". The design was drawn up without the knowledge of the departments of the High Authority, and is in no way connected with the experimental programme for the building of 1,000 housing units which is now under way.

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